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Notice of Allowability

Application No.
09/071,692

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Examiner
Anthony Ton

Group Art Unit
2661



All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed on November 20, 2000

☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-20

☐ The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been

☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*Certified copies not received: _____

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

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☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.

☒ Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS

☐ because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.

☒ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 2

☒ including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on 11/20/00, which has been approved by the examiner.

☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.

Attachment(s)

☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____

☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Reason For Allowance

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art fails to teach a combination of a method and apparatus for transferring data on a network from a data source to an end station executing a multi-layer protocol, including a network layer and at least one higher layer, through a network interface on the end station, comprising:

- transmitting a request for transfer of a block of data from the data source, and providing a flow specification and identifier of a target buffer to the network interface;
- receiving in the network interface a plurality of packets which carry respective data payloads, packets in the plurality of packets including control fields identifying whether the packets falls within the flow specification of the block of data; and
- upon receiving a packet, determining based on the control field in the network interface whether the packet matches the flow specification, and if so, transferring the data payload in the packet directly to the target buffer assigned by a process at a layer higher than the network layer.

Contact Information

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anthony Ton whose telephone number is (703) 306-5622. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

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supervisor, Doug Olms, can be reached on (703) 305-4703. The fax phone for this group is (703) 305-3988. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-9600.



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